



Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council

Non-confidential

Woodland Trust Tree Pack

Report to: Full Council 25-01

Report by: Clerk

Power/duty which decision falls under: Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10.

Which council objective(s) it falls under:

- Maintain and improve community facilities and amenities
- Protect and enhance our green spaces and street scene
- Preserve and enhance heritage assets, environmental assets and wildlife
- Retain and encourage employment and tourism opportunities
- Improve the well-being of residents
- To recognise the climate and biodiversity emergency and it should be considered as the basis of all decision and policy making

Public Sector Equality Duty (*Consider how policies/decisions affect those protected under the Equality Act*)

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Consideration on carbon reduction:

Hedge planting contributes to reducing our carbon footprint.

Consideration of risk management in relation to the proposal¹

It is impossible to list every risk faced by a local council. Risk, in the general sense, means the likelihood of an event happening, and the severity of the negative consequences. The insurance industry regards risk as representing loss or damage. Risk always involves uncertainty. When protecting a local council effectively, it is important to consider if risk is present in the following areas (SLCC AN241)[Tick]

Decision making	Legal
Finances	Inspections
✓Property	Written/verbal
✓Staff	communication
Events	Insurance

A risk assessment for the work will be completed by the grounds team.

Does the report consider any new activity? If 'Yes', has a risk assessment including risk management proposals for consideration been included for consideration and adoption by the council? (Financial Regulation 17b)

No.

¹Risk areas to consider - strategic/operational, likelihood/impact, add to risk register? Any contingency planning needed?


REPORT

The council has agreed to plant saplings to restore the northern headline on Westcroft green.

The Woodland Trust is currently offering tree and hedging packs for communities to be delivered in March.

Three 'small hedge packs' have been offered to restore the wildlife corridor equating to 18-24m of double row hedging:

Tree packs



Hedge

Make a natural screen or connect existing woodland to help wildlife stay on the move. You will get a variety of each species for 8 metres of full, easy to manage hedging.

For a longer length, our Wild Harvest, Year Round Colour, Wildlife, and Wild Wood packs also make great hedgerows and are available with 105 or 420 saplings.

- **Trees:** 30
- **Species:** dog rose, hawthorn, hazel, crab apple, dogwood
- **Size of land:** 6-8 metres of double-row hedging

This is in-line with a number of council objectives and an agreed council project.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That Full Council accepts the offer of saplings to complete the project.